

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.R. No. 14

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2015
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Government Operations, to which was referred S.R. No. 14 entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR TO ORDER THE EXCLUSIVE DISPLAY OF THE FLAG OF HAWAII OVER STATE BUILDINGS ON JANUARY 17 OF EACH YEAR,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request the Governor to order that the flag of Hawaii be exclusively flown over state buildings on January 17 of each year.

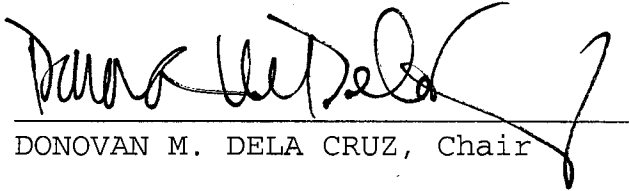
Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Hookipa Network Kauai, Center for Hawaiian Sovereignty Studies, and seventeen individuals. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from one individual. Your Committee received comments on this measure from one individual.

Your Committee finds that Governor John Waihee III ordered the Hawaii flag to be flown exclusively over state buildings on January 17, 1993, in commemoration of the 100-year anniversary of the overthrow of the Hawaiian monarchy. The display acknowledged the United States' involvement in the overthrow and was viewed as a display of respect by the State to the Hawaiian monarchy. The exclusive display of the flag of Hawaii on January 17 of each year would serve as an annual reminder of the overthrow of the Kingdom of Hawaii.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Government Operations that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.R. No. 14 and recommends its adoption.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Government
Operations,


DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair



Record of Votes
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